(a) whether it is a fact that Government have directed the pay channels to screen movies on small screen i.e. TV without any commercial breaks and advertisements; and

(b) if so, response of the pay channels?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Set Top Boxes

1345. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Israelis have a completely foolproof system which ensures that the Set Top Boxes could not be hacked; and

(b) if so, the details thereof

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be placed on the table of the House.

Shareholding agreement of Star News

1346. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Foreign Investment Promotion Board has cleared the new shareholding agreement of the Star News;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD): (a) and (b) The Foreign Investment Promotion Board (FIPB) has not cleared the shareholding agreement of the Star News.

FIPB has given the approval to the proposal of M/s. Media Content and Communications Services (India) Pvt. Ltd. (MCCS), for foreign investment, subject to the following conditions: